GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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New LHB Coaches
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has taken steps to protect at least 30 new Linke Hofmann Busch (LHB) coaches lying in the yard from creepers and rodents;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is true that not many LHB coaches are rolled out to ICF, Chennai for use in the Southern Railway and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether the Railways is considering to allow ICF, Chennai to produce LHB coaches and if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) & (b) New coaches including Linke Hofmann Busch (LHB) turned out from production Units and in transit for introduction in passenger service are not given any pest and rodent control treatment. However, these are kept in locked condition. Coaches are being given pest and rodent control treatment only when they are inducted into passenger service.
(c) Allocations of LHB coaches to all zonal Railways including Southern Railway are being done keeping in view the production, requirement and infrastructure for maintaining LHB coaches available at Zonal Railway.
(d) ICF/Chennai is already manufacturing LHB coaches.
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